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"BUSINESS ADVISES LIBRARIANS" THEME OF MIDDLE ATLANTIC REGIONAL CONFERENCE

Plan now to attend the Middle Atlantic Regional Library Conference to be held at the Ambassador Hotel in Atlantic City from October 15 through 17. The program promises to be unique, stimulating and inspiring with something of interest for all, from the recent library school graduate to the seasoned administrator representing small, medium-sized or large libraries in special or public fields.

The overall theme of the Conference will be "Business Advises Librarians." Following the keynote speech on Thursday, October 15, there will be a special program geared to "Business Looks at Library Management" with workshops on simplification processes for the small and medium-sized library, organizing for business efficiency and coordinating functions.

The morning session on Friday, October 16, will deal with "Business Looks at Library Public Relations" with a talk and workshops on reporting to the taxpayer, planning a public relations program and educational television with emphasis on storytelling and programs for young people. The afternoon session will cover "Business Looks at Library Personnel" with a talk and workshops on supervision and morale, staff development and selection.

State meetings and a Friends of the Library luncheon will be held on Saturday, October 17. The afternoon sessions will include a trustees meeting and a workshop on "How to Buy a Book." The banquet will be held that evening.

Each workshop will consist of a representative from the business world, a librarian and a library chairman. The evening speakers will be distinguished personalities who will discuss the role of the librarian in today's world.

A partial line-up of participants in the conference includes Mr. J.M. Shaw, Assistant Vice President, Public Relations, American Telephone & Telegraph Co.; Mr. Kenneth Wells, President, Freedom Foundation; Mr. Lynn Poole, Director of the Johns Hopkins Science Review---an award program in educational television; Professor Forrest H. Kirkpatrick, Dean of Students, Bethany College, and Assistant to the President, Wheeling Steel Corporation, plus many other outstanding leaders in library and related fields.

An added feature of the conference is the Leadership Training Institute, dealing with group dynamics and audio-visual aids, to be held each morning for a limited number of registrants. Reservations may be made in advance.

In addition, an employment exchange will be directed by Robert F. Munn. It will serve merely as a clearing house with no attempt to evaluate qualifications or positions. The Exchange will function more efficiently if interested persons will register in advance of the Conference. Please send information to Robert F. Munn, West Virginia University Library, Morgantown.

PUBLIC LIBRARIANS DISCUSS COMMON PROBLEMS AT MOUNDSVILLE WORKSHOP MEETING

Librarians from twelve northern West Virginia counties met in Moundsville on Saturday, May 16, for a one-day workshop on "Problems Facing the Small Public Library." More than fifty people attended the sessions which began at 9:30 A. M. and continued until 4:00 in the afternoon at the Snyder Hotel. (con't. on pg.2)

Mr. Delf Narona, Chairman of the local committee and a member of the Moundsville Public Library Board, introduced the welcoming speaker, Mr. W. F. Dalzell, President of the Moundsville Public Library Board. West Virginia Library Association President, Mr. E. Hugh Behymer, set a practical tone for the workshop in his keynote address on"The Role of Administration." He outlined principles and described in detail methods and procedures for attaining better management in small libraries.

The morning general session consisted of a panel discussion. Dr. B. C. Harrington, W.Va. University, served as moderator; and Mrs. Adrian Belt, of the Morgantown Public Library; Mr. Delf Narona; and Mrs. John Jones, a trustee from the Weirton Library, served as panel members. The panel's purpose was to identify problems which confront small libraries in each of three areas of library service---Routines, Acquisitions, and Community Relationships. As problems were described they were listed on the board. The audience then designated those which they wished to have discussed during the afternoon session.

Following lunch the workshop group divided for visits to the Mound Museum, the public library, and the Ohio County bookmobile before convening for discussion of problems.

Discussion groups met during the afternoon to talk over the problems which had been selected at the morning meeting. Reports from the groups were heard at a brief summary session. Mr. Behymer then summarized his impressions of the workshop in a concluding talk. He felt it to be a great success and predicted that other such workshops could be held in the state with much profit for the participating library people.

Resource people for the discussion groups were furnished by Ohio County Library, Huntington Public Library, the W. Va. Library Commission, and the Kanawha County Public Library.

FIRST W.VA. ADULT EDUCATION CONFERENCE POINTS WAY FOR PUBLIC LIBRARIANS

Adult educators from every part of the state met at Camp Caesar in Webster County on May 8 and 9 to inventory West Virginia's adult education personnel and programs, plan the expansion of community adult education programs, and discuss some of the problems common to all adult educators. Public libraries and their services, both to adult individuals and groups, were kept active in the thinking and conversation of the delegates because librarians took a part in the planning and running of the conference.

For public libraries the importance of this conference lies in the fact that adult educators in the state have come to realize that they know little about each other or other programs. The public library can help the situation by acting as an information center about adult education resources in its community. Furthermore it can channel individuals who come to the library into existing adult education groups.

The public library should do what it can in the field of adult education leadership training and in running program planners' institutes. It often has the opportunity to act as a community exhibit center for other adult education agencies.

There are many ways for the public library to fit into the adult education pattern of its community. There will be other conferences on a state level and probably small conferences on a multi-county level. The idea will be to promote adult education, to coordinate and improve programs, to discover and train leadership, and to learn effective adult education techniques and materials.

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AN INTERPRETATION OF WEST VIRGINIA LIBRARY LAW

There are about five points of primary importance in the State law affecting libraries. In my words, they are as follows:

I. Any county court, municipality, or school board, either by itself or in cooperation with one or more of the other governing bodies named, may establish and maintain a new public library or may take over and maintain an existing library. Note the word "may." There is nothing obligatory about government providing public library service in our state.

II. The governing body which wishes to support a library cannot give the library a sum of money, but is required to keep that money under its own control. The library cannot pay its own bills, but must submit those bills to the governing authority for payment. This means that a library supported by three agencies has three budgets, three agencies to pay its bills, three salary scales, etc. This is the case where a library is supported cooperatively by the city, county, and school board. It would also be the case if the library were supported cooperatively by several county courts.

III. In West Virginia public libraries "...shall be free for the use of all persons living within the area...." Fortunately libraries are not segregated in our state.

IV. Funds to finance a public library may be appropriated from the general funds of the governing authority, or obtained through an excess levy for library purposes which must be approved by 60% of those voting, is limited to three years, and is limited to 50% of certain authorized votes.

V. The West Virginia Library Commission can do certain things, if it has the money. (A) Give assistance, advice and counsel to libraries and to communities wanting to establish libraries. It may send its members to assist in organization of new or in improvement of existing libraries. (B) Purchase and operate traveling libraries. (C) Purchase books and distribute them where library service is inadequate. (D) Issue printed materials such as booklists and information circulars. (E) Conduct courses and hold institutes. (F) Develop a plan for regional library service and propose its adoption by county courts. (G) Render financial, advisory, or other assistance to libraries of the state. The rendering of financial aid has several limitations. The Commission is empowered to accept gifts and to receive appropriations from the federal treasury. It could use any funds received from these sources to render financial aid to individual libraries. Money appropriated to West Virginia as a result of the passage of the Library Demonstration Bill now before Congress would be used to give indirect finan-

cial aid to individual libraries. Money appropriated to West Virginia as a result of the passage of the Library Demonstration Bill now before Congress would be used to give indirect financial aid to libraries through the setting up of regional demonstrations. As far as I can determine there is no provision for the state to appropriate money to the Commission which could be used to give direct financial aid to individual libraries. The Commission is able and has been giving advice and counsel, reference and loan services to public libraries in our state. (H) Gather statistics, conduct surveys, and publish results.

Note: It must be remembered that the law gives the Library Commission legal authority to perform the above services. In practice, the financial limitations placed upon the Commission by minimal appropriations have severely limited its ability to perform some of these services and prevented its undertaking others.

As was stated at the beginning of this article these interpretations are my own. They are not official nor are they necessarily accurate. The complete text of the law may be found in "The School Laws of West Virginia," published by the State Department of Education, or in Article I, Chapter 10, of the West Virginia Code.

--- Mr. Mark Crum, Chairman
Legislation Committee

ASSOCIATION NEWS: PUBLIC LIB. SECTION

At the Keyser meeting of the W.V. L.A., several persons mentioned the desirability of organizing a Trustees Section within the Association. It was suggested that each interested librarian or board member should bring the matter to the attention of his board for an expression of opinion either for or against its formation.

Such an organization was discussed by the Board of Directors of the Kanawha County Public Library at its regular March meeting. The feeling among the members was that they would be willing to join such an organization and participate in its activities.

As each public librarian or board member obtains an expression of opinion from his board it should be reported to the Chairman of the Public Library Section, Mr. Mark Crum. Then, if their weight is strongly in favor of it, positive steps toward the establishment of a Trustees Section can be undertaken at the next annual state conference.

The purposes and obligations of membership in the Trustees Section would be: 1) To promote and foster the development of libraries and library service; 2) To provide for the exchange of ideas and experiences among library board members through conferences and publications; 3) To join the W.Va. Library Association and its Trustees Section, pay dues, and read West Virginia Libraries; 4) To participate in association and section activities, mostly by having a few members of each board attend each annual state library convention.

ADULT EDUCATION CONFERENCE (con't.)

Libraries have an important, perhaps central, role to play. This first conference hinted at it. We are in adult education - have been for years-but with the individual and on an informal basis. Let's ally ourselves with groups, too. Public libraries can be the official library unit for school, university extension, vocational, women's study club, and every kind of program. We can provide intellectual community leadership, if we will. We can't be quite the center of the adult education universe, but we can be coordinators, information headquarters, and planners. The job is there to be done.

--- Mr. Mark Crum, Librn.
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COLLEGE LIBRARY NEWS

WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY.

Personnel: Mr. Charles E. Butler returned from Ireland in January and is now at work on his novel while visiting his family in Denver. Mrs. Virginia Perry, readers' advisor, studied at the School of Library Science, Western Reserve University, last summer. She plans to continue her studies for the master's degree this summer. Robert S. York resigned in January to accept a position with the Erie County Public Library. Mr. York was acting chief of the audio-visual aid department. Richard Reich is now temporarily in charge of the department. Dean Garlow, senior reference librarian, resigned in January. Mrs. Margaret Monaco is assistant to Miss Katherine Lwyre in the acquisitions department. Charles W. Shetler, curator of the West Virginia collection, attended the annual meeting of the Society of American Archivists in Lexington, Ky., last October. Richard Reich attended the meeting of the Department of Audio-visual Instruction, N.E.A., in St. Louis in February. Vito J. Brenni, senior reference librarian, did postgraduate work at Columbia last summer.

Library Receives "Book of Record": In the reading room of W.Va. University library there is on display a book designed to last 5000 years. It is the Book of Record prepared by the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Co. and published in 1938.

Three thousand six hundred and fifty copies of the book were printed on hand-sewen, one-hundred pound paper. One copy was secreted away in the famous Westinghouse Time Capsule, a 7-foot metal cylinder designed to last 7000 years. On Sept. 23, 1938 the capsule was lowered 50 feet into the earth on the site of the Westinghouse Building at the New York World's Fair.

Other copies of the Book were distributed strategically among the various monasteries, lamaseries, and libraries on the world's surface, including the West Virginia University Library.

The Book of Record contains a description of the Time Capsule's contents, the exact latitude and longitude of its location, along with various astronomical and geodetic data, and instructions for making and using instruments to locate and raise the capsule by methods of electro-magnetic prospecting.

On display with the Book is a group of representative books that were reproduced on microfilm and inserted in the Time Capsule for the instruction and enlightenment of men and women of the 60th century. They include Sinclair Lewis' Arrowsmith, Margaret Mitchell's Gone with the Wind, a Sears Roebuck Catalog and the Smithsonian Institute's Physical Tables.

West Virginia Collection: The following additions have been made to the manuscript resources: Monroe County school records, 1803 - 1854, 12 items; Mason County school records, 1819-1849, 28 items; Andrew Nelson Campbell papers, 1856-1932, 676 items, Union, W. Va.; Isaac Caruthers ledger and day book for a tavern and store at Salt Sulphur, 1819 - 1863, 2 items. Other materials include 2 W.Va. imprints: The Juvenile Mentor, by A. Picket, Wheeling, 1825, one other copy of which has been recorded; and A Farewell Sermon Preached at West Liberty, Virginia, by the Reverend James Hughs, A.M..... Charlestown, Virginia, 1814, apparently an unrecorded title. Microfilm copies of the population returns for Virginia and W. Va. in the 1830 and 1850 census have been added. Newspaper files added include 78 vols. of Sisterville papers. Currently the Monroe Watchman, Union, W.Va., and the Daily Athenaeum, the University student newspaper, are being microfilmed.

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Calhoun Co. has highest circulation in 5-county demonstration area. Residents borrowed 15,594 books, or 1.5 books per capita. Ritchie Co. is next with 1.3; Roane Co. read 1.2 books per person.

MISS HELEN STOCKERT REPLACES KNAPP AS LIBRARIAN AT WEST VIRGINIA WESLEYAN

Charles R. Knapp, Librarian and Associate Professor of Library Science since 1947 at West Virginia Wesleyan College, Buckhannon, recently announced his resignation effective May 31. Mr. Knapp has accepted a position as a Librarian at the Engineer Center, Fort Belvoir, Virginia, where he will start his new duties June 1. Before coming to Wesleyan he had been on the staff of the University of Illinois Library and South Dakota State College.

Miss Helen Stockert, who has been Assistant Librarian, has been appointed to the position vacated by Mr. Knapp. Well known to many members of the West Virginia Library Association, Miss Stockert is a native of Buckhannon and a graduate of West Virginia Wesleyan and Columbia University School of Library Science. Before coming to Wesleyan in 1946 Miss Stockert had served as supervisor of libraries in the secondary schools at Lawrence, N.Y.; as librarian at the Southern Seminary and Junior College in Buena Vista, Va.; as librarian in the public library at Hasbrouch Heights, N. J.; and as librarian at the Old Trail School in Akron, Ohio.

ANNIE MERNER PFIEFFER MEMORIAL LIBRARY COMPLETED AT WESLEYAN

West Virginia Wesleyan College has recently completed and moved into the new Annie Merner Pfieffer Memorial Library. A two story Georgian structure, the building has two large reading rooms on the first floor, one of which will be used by the Methodist Historical Society as a library and museum for materials relating to Methodism. The library proper, on the second floor, has two large reading rooms, circulation lobby, offices, and workrooms, two seminars and the main entrance to the four-story stack unit. Features include acoustical tile treatment in all rooms, asphalt tile flooring throughout, steel stack unit by Virginia Metal products, carrels on each floor of the stack for private study, all library furniture by the Library Bureau Division of Remington-Rand treated in natural birch to harmonize with the woodwork of the building, and fluorescent lighting throughout. Seating capacity at the present time is 140; storage capacity for 60,000 volumes is now available.

STORER TO CONSTRUCT LIBRARY ANNEX

Contract has been let by Storer College trustees for a stack-annex to the Roger Williams Library. It is to house 30,000 volumes. The ground breaking ceremony was observed February 27, by the president of the Alumni Association in the presence of a large number of alumni, students, faculty and friends.

Enlargement of the library was made a special project by the Alumni about 18 months ago, when a donation of $1000 was made by a member of the Association. At the Founder's Day banquet gifts and pledges made possible the completion of payments by the June commencement. The Washington Club pledged a $1200 charging desk.

The new annex will be ready for use at the beginning of the 1953 Fall term. It will contain, in addition to storage space, work and conference rooms.

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WANTED: WEST VIRGINIA LIBRARIES

Any back issues of West Virginia Libraries up through volume 5, no. 3, September 1952, are needed. Requests for various numbers are still being made by libraries and library schools. Since our files of back issues are exhausted the only way these demands can be filled is for the membership to mail in those issues no longer needed. Address to: WEST VIRGINIA LIBRARIES, ROBERT F.KIDD LIBRARY, GLENVILLE STATE COLLEGE, GLENVILLE, WEST VIRGINIA.

PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWS

HUNTINGTON PUBLIC LIBRARY

Circulation: All time high circulation records were made in January, March, and April. Circulation is running 26% ahead of 1951-52. The bookmobile topped previous records in February, March and April.

Equipment & Repairs: The office purchased a new Remington electric typewriter. The music alcove and the Boys and Girls Department each have a new two turntable, three-speed R.C.A. phonograph. This model has a 12-inch speaker, being designed for use in record selling stores. Barboursville Branch has new shelving for an extra thousand books.

New Services & Miscellaneous: The Reference Department began a picture collection. Former librarian Margaret Hennion is mounting them as a labor of love.

The library now sells its surplus gift books. Modest prices, 10 to 25 cents, turns over a lot of books. Five or six sets have sold at prices from $2.00 to $5.00. The public likes it.

An innovation in book jackets was unveiled at the Huntington Hobby Show. Older hobby books were covered with bright wallpaper jackets inside plastic covers. You should see what can be done from a wallpaper sample book!

The bookmobile, Gulliver, was host to the Green Valley Farm Woman's Extension Club in May. Assistant bookmobile librarian, Mrs. Madson, a member of the club, entertained and served lunch. A special exhibit of books were on display.

Personnel: The Board of Directors and Librarian were guests of the Kanawha County Public Library Board and staff the night of April 10. Previously, Mr. Mark Crum, Librarian of Kanawha Co. Public Library, sat in as guest at the monthly meeting of the Huntington Directors. A car load of staff and Board members visited the Portsmouth, Ohio, Public Library on its Golden Anniversary. The Staff met at the Barbourville Branch Library for its regular April meeting. Librarian, Omar Bacon, attended the Adult Education Conference at Camp Caesar, May 8-9 and led a discussion group on "Reading Problems of Adults."

KANAWHA COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

Mrs. Mary Tatterson has resigned as head of circulation, effective June 15, to make her home in Atlanta, Ga. Her successor has not yet been named.

Miss Joan Greenspun visited the Cincinnati Public Library during April, as part of her work in drawing up plans for a record collection to be begun this summer. Local business firms have been very helpful in preparing a listening room, securing the necessary equipment, and beginning the collection of records.

Frances Alderson, Ruth Figgatt, and Janie Thomas of the Extension Department made a weekend visit to the Cincinnati Public Library Extension Department, the Cincinnati News office and other companies through which the Kanawha County Library has been served.

The Boards of the Kanawha County Public Library and the Huntington Library have held joint meetings this Spring, one at Huntington and one at Charleston, for exchange of problems and ideas.

The final inventory report has been finished, at least for this year. The catalog department has given a sigh of relief and settled down to chuckle over some of the oddities that turned up in the process. Some books found their way into the most apt places---Why They Behave Like Russians turned up among the mysteries, while How to Make Money on the Stock Market seemed to consider itself a fairy tale. The Grafter's Handbook gave workers quite a start when it came up among the books on criminology--they prompt-

ly reshelved it in the proper place, horticulture.

Author and title combinations created their share of the fun. Book cards listed: Dull, Mathematics for Engineers; Boring, Psychology; and Holding, Too Many Bottles. There were Don't Kill the Goose, by Goslin, and How to Raise Money, by--yes, Gambel!

OHIO COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

Professional Activities: The Regional Workshop for West Virginia Librarians held in Moundsville on May 16 was attended by Virginia Ebeling, Nancy Matthews, Mrs. Jane Bubert, Mrs. Jane Throp, and Howard Fritz of the Library staff. They were accompanied by Mrs. L.E.Schrader of the Board of Trustees, and D. Arden White of Oglebay Institute. Virginia Ebeling was a member of the planning Committee. Ohio County's bookmobile was featured as "Exhibit A."

Community Activities: A panel discussion was held in the Library's Music and Lecture room on April 15, presented jointly by the Library and the United Church Women.

An art exhibit featuring paintings made by children around the world was shown in the library the week of May 18-23. The affair was sponsored by the Wheeling Country Day School.

A visit to the Public Library began the program for 100 high school boys and girls on City-County Day in April. The event, which was sponsored by the Kiwanis Club, consists of a conducted tour of the City and County's government and civic agencies, provoked much interest in the Library's various facilities.

Children's Department: The annual Spring Book Festival as instigated by the New York Herald Tribune was correspondingly celebrated in the Ohio County Public Library with a display of colorful new titles for Boys and Girls in the Children's Department. (Plasti-kleer covers added much to the attractiveness of the exhibit.)

New playground stops have been scheduled for the bookmobile's summer schedule. These additions bring the total to 7 playgrounds visited each week.

Films: On May 24, Virginia Ebeling attended a meeting of librarians participating in the Oglebay Institute Regional Film Circuit. Purchasing of films for the coming year was the purpose of the meeting.

Music Department: Two gifts of 50 record albums each (78 rpm) have been received by donors who are converting their music library to Long Play. The library will continue to accept them up to a certain point, as they continue to circulate rather freely, to many individuals, schools, etc, who still use the older type of record.

WAITMAN BARBE PUBLIC LIBRARY

In early April the Morgantown News, in a five-column spread with pictures, directed the attention of Morgantown citizens toward the library situation in their city. "Waitman Barbe Public Library Screams for 'More Room' As It 'Comes of Age,'" declared the News. The lengthy article reviewed the history of the 27 year-old library which started as a memorial to Dr. Waitman Barbe, W. Va. University English professor, in 1926. For the first year the library was housed in the rooms of the Woman's Club from which it was then moved into a small room in the City Building. Under the inspiring leadership of Dr. W.E. Brooks, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church and author of Lee of Virginia, who was library committee chairman, the library grew so rapidly that it was soon moved to City Hall basement, which was later enlarged, but is again too small to house the collection. In 1929 the voters of

Morgantown agreed to partly finance the costs of the library. At present it is being operated on an annual budget of 24¢ per capita.

Dr. Lonna Dennis Arnett of the University Library organized the book collection and Miss Cordella Weaver freely gave of her time as librarian when the library was established. Miss Betty Berry, the first paid librarian, was succeeded by Mrs. Betty Burnside in 1941. In 1951, the present incumbent, Mrs. Adrian Bolt, became librarian. Others on the staff include Mrs. John Wilson; Margaret Hardesty, a University library science major; and Mollie Seibert, a student at Morgantown High School.

One of the largest gifts received by the library is the Mrs. Emma Love collection, started by Dr. Rebecca Pollock, University English instructor, in memory of her mother. At present Dr. Pollock gives the library the annual interest on some of her bonds which is used to purchase books.

A FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY group was organized in Morgantown on April 8. The organization meeting was directed by Mrs. Rita Sommers. The purpose of the meeting was to acquaint those interested in the library with the activities of a Friend's organization. It was decided to choose officers at the next meeting.

"WEST VIRGINIA BRINGS BOOKS TO THE PEOPLE" is the title of an article in the appendix of the Congressional Record, Jan. 7, 1953. It was printed by request of Senator Harley M. Kilgore. Previously, it was published in the Pathfinder, August 20, 1952.

Here are related the events that led Ken Brown to become a librarian and to direct his efforts towards the development of library service in West Virginia. His activities as a field worker with the West Virginia Library Commission in the 5-county demonstration area are interestly told with human interest highlights.

RIPLEY FFA MEMBER GIVES CREDIT TO CHAPTER LIBRARY

The Ripley F.F.A. Chapter won the Gold Emblem Award for 1952. It is an award given by the State Association each year to the two chapters in the state that carry on and complete the most activities for the year. In an article for the Ripley Jackson Herald, Feb. 27, 1953, Milford Greene pays a tribute to books for his chapter's successful year. According to Mr. Greene:

"One of our most important sources of knowledge is books, and one of the most interesting features of our chapter is our F.F.A. Library.

"This collection of books consists of over 119 books which have been purchased with Chapter funds, and which apply mostly to the conservation, useful birds, trees, and insects, conservation of wildlife, and special FFA activities. Several books are included on recreation and some on fiction that provide stories for recreation.

"Some of our books include such books by Louis Bromfield as Malabar Farm and Out of the Earth; Plowman's Folly by Faulkner; Winning Future Farmer Speeches, 101 Games to Play, Fundamentals of Public Speaking, Basketball Illustrated, Our Plundered Planet, and many others.

"The library has been of great assistance to the Chapter in carrying out the Chapter work and in completing the supervised farming programs.

"Without it we could not have won the Better Chapter contest this year, nor could we have placed so well in many of the other contests."

THE HISTORY AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE ROBERT F.KIDD LIBRARY AT GLENVILLE STATE COLLEGE is the title of a thesis written this winter by Miss Autumn Amos of Burnsville. Miss Amos, who has been music teacher and librarian at Burnsville High School for several years is completing her Master's degree in library science at Western Reserve University this summer.

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